



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020.

Charity name: Lewis Merthyr Band

Charity registration number: 1000499

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Promoting the art of Brass Band playing and fostering an appreciation for the art through concerts and related activities. Tuition given to juniors, who go on to develop a strong sense of discipline, responsibility & self belief from performing together as a unit. Support also given to the fundraising efforts of other charities through live performance.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Prior to the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic one concert in aid of flood relief was able to be performed resulting in some income from CD sales. Two performances in support of Womens Rugby and participation in two competitions. Arts Council for Wales funding has also been secured for the recording of works by a

		deceased local conductor.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have given full regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The charity does not engage in providing grants.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	No direct social investment is made. Public benefit has been provided through public concerts and similar activities.

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers to the charity made personnel contributions totalling £1,270 during 2020.
Other		Other income was recieved through payments from performances from the previous year, Covid grants and from the Arts Council of Wales.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The year was dominated by the restrictions placed upon the charity by the Covid-19 pandemic. Rehearsals and all activities were suspended in line with government guidance when the pandemic began. Income through normal charity activities ceased and the charity was able to continue due to grants available.</p> <p>Prior to the onset of the pandemic one concert was able to be performed in aid of flood relief which raised funds for the affected residents in the Rhondda, two performances in support of Womens Rugby and participation in two competitions.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The charity did not have any specific objectives set for the year, but has continued and grown in strength and is now in a strong position to continue to provide benefit and support to the local community.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	No specific fund raising objectives were set. Fund raising was much reduced from previous years due to the Covid-19 pandemic. However some funds were received from events from the previous year.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	The Charity does not have any investments.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Charity is in a strong financial position and is able to meet all of its financial obligations.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Charity does not hold reserves as a separate ledger. All funds are kept in the current account.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Nil
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Reserves are not identified and held separately as there is not normally the opportunity to build up reserves.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	There are no funds in deficit.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The Charity is in a strong position and has no uncertainties about continuing as a going concern.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Covid maintenance funds were received.
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Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	There is not an investment policy.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Covid has been a significant risk to the Charity causing activities to be suspended or cancelled. The risks have been managed and the Charity is now in a strong position to continue.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The governing document has been written and agreed by the Trustees and is available for viewing via the Charity Commissions web site.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The Charity is constituted by an agreed written constitution and is a registered charity. The charity is not incorporated.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are appointed by being nominated and elected at the Annual General Meeting.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	There is no specific training for trustees but they are encouraged to read all relevant guidance material.
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The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity has a committee where each member is nominated and elected at the Annual General Meeting. The charity is a registered Brass Band and competes within the framework of the Brass Band Associations rules.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Member of Brass Bands England.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Lewis Merthyr Band
Other name the charity uses	None
Registered charity number	1000499
Charity's principal address	5 Office Street Cymmer Porth Rhondda Cynon Taf CF39 9AL



Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Ivor England			
2	Robert Lloyd Smith	Chairman		
3	Paul Williams			
4	Brian Paull			
5	Gareth Hanson	Treasurer		
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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)		
Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)		

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

G Hanson

Full name(s)

Gareth Hanson

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Treasurer

Date

27th October 2021

LEWIS MERTHYR BAND

Registered Charity No: 1000499.

Income and Expenditure 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020.

INCOME	2020	EXPENDITURE	2020	Statement of Assets and Liabilities
Balance brought forward from previous year	£8,171.20	Conductors expenses (incl. stand in's)	£4,800.00	It is considered that all bills and invoices can be covered for the coming year.
Members contributions	£1,270.00	Utilities	£852.59	
Engagement fees (incl. refreshment sales)	£452.00	Insurance	£0.00	Trustees Approval
Contest prize money (incl. refunds)	£155.00	Making Music / BBE membership fees	£97.50	
Carolling	£932.00	Bandroom repairs and bandroom equipment	£310.50	P. Williams
Hotel	£0.00	Performing Rights Society	£0.00	
Fund raising raffle	£0.00	Registry fees	£351.70	Paul Williams
Donation	£0.00	Band web site	£0.00	
Programme advert	£0.00	Instruments [incl. Perc & accessories]	£12,094.95	Brian Paull
Annual meal tickets	£32.80	Funeral donation	£0.00	
Uniform deposit	£0.00	Member gifts	£0.00	B Paull
Tea payments	£53.28	Printing	£0.00	
Gift Aid 2019 (HMRC)	£982.39	Music purchase	£87.27	
Utility refund	£0.00	Van hire / van fuel / coach / fuel	£269.01	
Grant	£21,800.00	Cups and Engraving	£40.00	
CD sales	£30.00	Postage / stationary	£0.00	
Coin donation	£0.00	Borrowed players	£432.00	
Account set up	£0.00	Contest entry fees / players entry tickets	£0.00	
Easy fundraising online	£15.76	Rehearsal rooms	£40.00	
Rehearsal rooms	£120.00	Instrument repairs	£68.20	
Amazon	£5.00	Uniform	£0.00	
Arts Council Wales	£19,170.00	Welsh regional council	£0.00	
		Miscellaneous	£0.00	
		Joint concert fee/Hall fee	£0.00	
		Annual meal	£426.16	
		Composer/Arranger commission	£600.00	
Treasurer G. Hanson		Total	£20,469.88	
<i>G Hanson</i>	Total	£45,018.23		
	c/f	£32,719.55		

Independent examiners report to the trustees of Lewis Merthyr Band

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Lewis Merthyr Band for the year ended 31st December 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charities trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charities accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiners statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
The accounts do not accord with those records; or

The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name:

ANDREW GARNER

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any):

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7/10/2021